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## 100% Idiots

Editor, The Star-Free Press:

I have been following with interest and dismay the developments in Cuba.

Since the bearded maniac declared himself dictator, through the famous invasion and the collecting of \$10 million to pay for the exchange tractors, all has been calm until you quoted the \$45 million that the U.S. paid for the ill-fated invasion. Then my blood pressure went sky high.

It is shameful and unbelievable to see the President of the U.S. supporting and relying on an agency made up exclusively of idiots 100 per cent inefficient and, what is worse, to use the word "intelligence" as part of their title.

I am talking, of course, of the CIA that in the last fiasco has made the country the laughing stock of the world. It costs the government \$60 million a year to keep the agency going. It is time that the government realizes that money does not buy everything and that it should start mixing dollars with common sense, the study of facts and realities, and review the history of failures in the buying of friendships.

The government should turn over to the movie companies and television all unrealistic and impractical dreams of the past and base its future on serious study of the truth.

The CIA should be made to pay part of the cost of the blackmail tractors as punishment for its failure.

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